

Message Text

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 01 ABU DH 00761 211027Z
ACTION NEA-10

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 HA-05 IO-14 CIAE-00 DODE-00 PM-05
H-02 INR-10 L-03 NSAE-00 NSC-05 PA-02 SP-02
SS-15 USIA-15 /089 W
-----069592 211300Z /53

R 210915Z MAR 78
FM AMEMBASSY ABU DHABI
TO SECSTATE WASHDC 7548
INFO AMEMBASSY DACCA
AMEMBASSY ISLAMABAD
AMCONSUL KARACHI
AMCONSUL LAHORE

UNCLAS ABU DHABI 0761

E O 11652: NA
TAGS: PEPR
SUBJ: APPEAL BY UAE PRESIDENT SHAIKH ZAYID TO COMMUTE BHUTTO
DEATH SENTENCE

1. UAE PAPERS OF MARCH 21 CARRIED TEXT OF APPEAL FROM UAE
PRESIDENT SHAIKH ZAYID TO GENERAL ZIA UL-HAQ, PAKISTAN'S MARTIAL
LAW ADMINISTRATOR, TO COMMUTE THE DEATH SENTENCE PASSED ON FORMER
PAKISTANI PRIME MINISTER ALI BHUTTO.

2. TEXT OF MESSAGE CARRIED IN THE PRESS READS AS FOLLOWS:
BEGIN TEXT: WE LEARNED THROUGH NEWS REPORTS OF THE DEATH SEN-
TENCE PASSED ON MR. ZULFIKAR ALI BHUTTO. WE ARE FULLY AWARE THAT
THIS IS AN ORDER BY THE JUDICIAL AUTHORITY; BUT, IN VIEW OF THE
BROTHERHOOD AND FRATERNAL RELATIONS THAT BIND OUR TWO COUNTRIES,
THE PRESIDENT, GOVERNMENT AND PEOPLE OF THE UAE, IN EXPRESSING
THE GEELINGS OF OUR BROTHERS IN THE COUNTRY, AND IN APPRECIATION
OF THE GREAT SERVICE MR. BHUTTO HAS RENDERED TO THE ISLAMIC CAUSES
IN GENERAL AND ARAB CAUSES IN PARTICULAR, WE APPEAL TO YOUR
MAGNANIMITY AND NOBILITY OF HEART TO USE ALL YOUR EXCELLENCY'S
AUTHORITY TO COMMUTE THE DEATH SENTENCE. WE PRESENT THIS APPEAL
UNCLASSIFIED

UNCLASSIFIED

PAGE 02 ABU DH 00761 211027Z

TO YOUR KIND PERSON IN THE GREAT CONFIDENCE THAT YOU BELIEVE
IN THE SUPREMACY OF MERCY OVER LAW. MAY GOD HELP YOU TO CARRY
OUT THIS APPEAL. I TAKE THIS OPPORTUNITY TO EXPRESS TO YOUR
EXCELLENCY OUR APPRECIATION AND BEST WISHES FOR THE PEOPLE OF
PAKISTAN FOR THEIR PROSPERITY. END TEXT

3. SHAIKH ZAYID HAS ALWAYS HAD A WARM PERSONAL RELATIONSHIP WITH

BHUTTO AND FELT THAT HE PLAYED A MAJOR ROLE IN STEERING PAKISTAN
TOWARD GREATER ECONOMIC STABILITY AND INFLUENCE AFTER THE
SEPARATION OF BANGLADESH FROM PAKISTAN. CONSEQUENTLY THIS MESSAGE
FROM ZAYID IS NOT UNEXPECTED AND REFLECTS HIS PERSONAL INTERESTS
IN DEVELOPMENTS OF PAKISTAN.
DICKMAN

UNCLASSIFIED

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: X
Capture Date: 01 jan 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: AMNESTY, DIPLOMATIC COMMUNICATIONS, COURT DECISIONS, EXECUTIONS
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 21 mar 1978
Decaption Date: 01 jan 1960
Decaption Note:
Disposition Action: n/a
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment:
Disposition Date: 01 jan 1960
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1978ABUDH00761
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: n/a
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: N/A
Errors: N/A
Expiration:
Film Number: D780124-0258
Format: TEL
From: ABU DHABI
Handling Restrictions: n/a
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1978/newtext/t19780345/aaaabloh.tel
Line Count: 68
Litigation Code IDs:
Litigation Codes:
Litigation History:
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Message ID: 8de460c3-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Office: ACTION NEA
Original Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Original Handling Restrictions: n/a
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 2
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: n/a
Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Reference: n/a
Retention: 0
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 11 apr 2005
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review Media Identifier:
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
SAS ID: 3262629
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: APPEAL BY UAE PRESIDENT SHAIKH ZAYID TO COMMUTE BHUTTO DEATH SENTENCE
TAGS: PEPR, PINS, PK, TC, (BHUTTO, ALI), (AL-NUHAYAN, ZAYID IBN SULTAN)
To: STATE
Type: TE
vdkgvwkey: odhc://SAS/SAS.dbo.SAS_Docs/8de460c3-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Review Markings:
Sheryl P. Walter
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
20 Mar 2014
Markings: Sheryl P. Walter Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 20 Mar 2014